## CCRB INVESTIGATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Investigator:		Team:	CCRB Case #:		Force		Discourt.	☐ U.S.
Alexander Lai		Team # 1	201408382		Abuse		O.L.	☐ Injury
Incident Date(s)		Location of Incident:		P	Precinct:	18 N	Mo. SOL	EO SOL
Saturday, 08/09/2014 10:30 AM		944 Aldus Street			41	2/9	9/2016	2/9/2016
Date/Time CV Reported		CV Reported At:	How CV Reported	:	Date/Time	Recei	ved at CCF	BB
Sat, 08/09/2014 11:07 AM		IAB	Phone		Fri, 08/15/	/2014	3:43 PM	
Complainant/Victim	Type	Home Addre	ess					
Subject Officer(s)	Shield	TaxID	Command					
1. SGT Aaron Edwards	01791	932593	NARCBBX					
2. POM Andre Arias	09366	937996	NARCBBX					
3. DT3 Anthony Rumph	06686	913189	NARCBBX					
Officer(s)	Allegatio	on			Inve	estigat	or Recon	mendation
A.SGT Aaron Edwards	Abuse: S § 87(2)(b)	gt. Aaron Edwards auth	orized the stop of					
B.POM Andre Arias	Abuse: P	O Andre Arias searched	§ 87(2)(b)					
C.SGT Aaron Edwards	Abuse: S § 87(2)(b)	gt. Aaron Edwards refus	sed to provide his na	ame	to			
§ 87(4-b), § 87(2)(g)								
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Case Summary						
On August 9, 2014, at approximately 10:30 a.m., in front of 944 Aldus Street, § 87(2)(b)						
was approached by Sgt. Aaron Edwards, Det. Anthony Rumph, and PO Andre Arias						
of Bronx Narcotics. The officers allegedly stopped \$87(2)(b) and PO Arias allegedly						
searched him (Allegations A and B). Sgt. Edwards allegedly refused to provide his name to						
\$87(2)(b) (Allegation C). $$87(4-b), $87(2)(9)$						
was not arrested and did not receive a						
summons.						
Mediation, Civil and Criminal Histories						
§ 87(2)(b) agreed to mediate his complaint § 87(2)(9)						
A Notice of Claim inquiry has yet to be						
answered. §87(2)(b) has no criminal convictions.						
Civilian and Officer CCRB Histories						

- This is the first CCRB complaint filed by §87(2)(b) (encl. C5)
- Sgt. Edwards has been a member of the service for 11 years and he has one substantiated CCRB allegation against him. He received instructions for conducting an improper strip search in February 2010 (encl. C1).
- Det. Rumph has been a member of the service for 22 years and there is no substantiated CCRB allegation against him (encl. C2-3).
- PO Arias has been a member of the service for 9 years and there is no substantiated CCRB allegation against him (encl. C4).

## **Finding and Recommendations**

## **Explanation of Subject Officer Identification**

provided a physical description of the subject officers and their vehicle that closely matched Sgt. Edwards, Det. Rumph, and PO Arias' physical attributes and assigned vehicle. §87(2)(b) also stated that at an unspecified date after this incident, he encountered Sgt. Edwards and acquired his shield number (encl. F3, 9). Sgt. Edwards, Det. Rumph, and PO Arias noted in their memo books that their team made two arrests at the proximate time of the incident and less than a block away from the location (encl. G1-3; H1-2; I1-2). §87(2)(9)

## Recommendations

- Allegation A Abuse of Authority: Sgt. Aaron Edwards authorized the stop of
- Allegation B Abuse of Authority: PO Andre Arias searched § 87(2)(6)

Without stopping, speaking, or interacting with anyone, \$87(2)(b) walked from Southern Boulevard and entered a 99-cent store on the southeast corner of Aldus Street and Hoe Avenue. He left the store four minutes later and without stopping, speaking, or interacting with anyone, he walked on the south side of Aldus Street towards Southern Boulevard. As

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neared the intersection, in front of 944 Aldus Street, an unmarked tan or light-colored minivan stopped alongside of him. Sgt. Edwards, Det. Rumph, and PO Arias exited the vehicle
and approached \$87(2)(b) (encl. F3).
Sgt. Edwards asked \$87(2)(6) when was the last time he was arrested.
replied, "What kind of question was that?" Sgt. Edwards repeated the question and
said that he did not have to talk to him and that he knew his rights. Sgt. Edwards
asked \$87(2)(b) "What's your name?" \$87(2)(b) replied, "My ID's in the bag [fanny pack]." PO Arias immediately unzipped \$87(2)(b) fanny pack and placed his hands inside
without saying anything. \$87(2)(b) said, "There's nothing in there – if you want, you can
check it. I'll unclamp it and I'll show you." He then unbuckled and handed his fanny pack to PO
Arias, who subsequently continued to look and search inside (encl. F3).
Sgt. Edwards, Det. Rumph, and PO Arias had no recollection of this incident (encl. G5;
H4; I4). They affirmed working together in the same vehicle, a grey Dodge Caravan, on this
incident date, and their memo books show their team making two arrests in close proximity to the
incident. PO Arias affirmed that they were present for those arrests. §87(2)(9)
• Allegation C – Abuse of Authority: Sgt. Aaron Edwards refused to provide his name to
§ 87(2)(b)
asked Sgt. Edwards for his name. Sgt. Edwards replied, "I don't have to
tell you. If you don't tell me I don't have to tell you" (encl. F3). §87(2)(9)
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● § 87(4-b), § 87(2)(g)

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